## CITY OF BRIDGEPORT MISCELLANEOUS MATERS REGULAR MEETING JUNE 27, 2016

**ATTENDANCE**: Richard Salter, Co-chair; John Olson, Nessah Smith,

Milta Feliciano, Anthony Paoletto (6:10 p.m.); Denese

Taylor-Moye (6:13 p.m.); Council President Thomas McCarthy

(6:13 p.m.)

STAFF: Atty. John Bohannon, Deputy City Attorney; Angel dePara,

CAO's Office

**OTHERS**: Cruz Manuel Cotto, Edward Joseph Mclaine,

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Council Member Salter called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

#### APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2016.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2016.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2016 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2016.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2016.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 28, 2016 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

# APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016 (SPECIAL MEETING).

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION MOVED TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### APPROVAL OF JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016.

\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO APPROVE THE

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#### JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER OLSON SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION MOVED TO APPROVE THE JOINT COMMITTEE

  MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 31, 2016 AS SUBMITTED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

## 30-15 Appointment of Cruz Manuel Cotto (D) to the Parks Commission.

Mr. Manny Cotto came forward and said that he had lived in Bridgeport for over 60 years. He said that he had worked for Avco Lycoming and later became a Bridgeport Police Officer with the Housing Authority.

Council Member Olson asked why Mr. Cotto why he wanted to be on the Parks Committee. Mr. Cotto said that he had been asked to join the Committee and explained that he had played sports all his life. He said that he thought that the Parks Department had a great relationship with the youth and would like to see the schools open up again to allow the youth to use the swimming pools. He said that he sees where the City is strapped for money but suggested that perhaps the buildings could be opened with volunteers.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 30-15 APPOINTMENT OF CRUZ MANUEL COTTO (D) TO THE PARKS COMMISSION.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council Member Paoletto joined the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

## 72-15 Appointment of Joe Mclaine (R) to the Water Pollution Control Authority Commission.

Mr. dePara introduced Mr. Mclaine to the Commissioners. Mr. Mr. Mclaine said that he was born in Bridgeport and was a business owner. He said that he did not have an arrest record.

Council Member Feliciano wanted to know why she did not receive the information on the background check before the meeting. Mr. dePara said that he would bring the full file in the future.

Council Member Olson said that he purchases his gas from Mr. Mclaine. He added that none of the public is allowed to use his bathroom facilities. Mr. Mclaine said that he was able to repair Council Member Olson's car when no one else was. Council Member Olson responded by saying that Mr. Mclaine was a Republican but he liked him anyway.

Council Member Feliciano asked about Mr. Mclaine's experience on the Ethics Committee. Mr. Mclaine explained that he had served one term and that he felt that the Commission was dealing with personal quarrels rather than ethical issues.

Council Member Olson said that the WPCA has been involved in foreclosing on homes. Mr. Mclaine said that he would have to be more familiar with the process before he commented on it.

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Council Member Paoletto said he had worked with Mr. Mclaine in the past and he had worked well with him.

Council Member Smith suggested Mr. Mclaine be sure to educate people about homeownership and the importance of paying their bills on time.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 72-15 APPOINTMENT OF JOE MCLAINE (R) TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL **AUTHORITY COMMISSION.**
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council Member Paoletto left the meeting at 6:12 p.m.

39-15 Appointment of Pearl Brooks (U) to the Commission of Persons with Disabilities.

Ms. Brooks was not present to speak with the Commissioners.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 39-15 APPOINTMENT OF PEARL BROOKS (U) TO THE COMMISSION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 83-15 Appointment of Michael Piccirillo (D) to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mr. Piccirillo was not present to speak with the Commissioners.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO TABLE AGENDA ITEM 83-15 APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL PICCIRILLO (D) TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- \*\* Council Member Taylor-Moye and Council President McCarthy joined the meeting at 6:13 p.m.
- 116-15 Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation with Angel Santiago.
- 141-15 Proposed Settlement of Pending Litigation with Michael Stinson.

(Ref. #05-15)

\*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION.

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- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Council Members and Atty. Bohannon entered into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation at 6:14 p.m.

Council Member Paoletto rejoined the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

The Council Members and Atty. Bohannan returned to public session at 6:48 p.m. No actions were taken during the Executive Session.

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION WITH ANGEL SANTIAGO. (116-15)
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER PAOLETTO SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- \*\*COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH MOVED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION WITH MICHAEL STINSON. (Ref. #05-15)
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER FELICIANO MOVED TO ADJOURN.
- \*\* COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR MOYE SECONDED.
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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